

NATIONAL MARITIME DAY, 1953

May 8, 1953
[No. 3014]

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the American Merchant Marine has continued to aid in developing our peaceful commercial relations with the nations of the free world; and

WHEREAS, through the prompt delivery of supplies and equipment to our armed forces overseas, and of cargoes representing economic and military aid to friendly nations, the American Merchant Marine has effectively helped to strengthen the forces of freedom throughout the world; and

36 USC 145.

WHEREAS the Congress by a joint resolution approved May 20, 1933 (48 Stat. 73), designated May 22 as National Maritime Day, thus honoring the Merchant Marine by commemorating the departure from Savannah, Georgia, on May 22, 1819, of *The Savannah*, on the first transoceanic voyage by any steamship, and requested the President to issue a proclamation annually calling for the observance of that day:

National Maritime
Day, 1953.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby urge the people of the United States to observe Friday, May 22, 1953, as National Maritime Day by displaying the flag of the United States at their homes or other suitable places; and I direct the appropriate officials of the Government to arrange for the display of the flag on all Government buildings on that day. I also request that all ships sailing under the American flag dress ship on the appointed day in honor of our Merchant Marine.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this eighth day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-seventh.

DWIGHT D EISENHOWER

By the President:

JOHN FOSTER DULLES
Secretary of State

NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

May 8, 1953
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A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS mental illness constitutes one of the Nation's most difficult and costly problems; and

WHEREAS there is urgent need for more trained personnel to carry on research on mental illness and the treatment of the mentally ill; and